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FLORENCE MAN SENTENCED TO 97 MONTHS FOR INVOLVEMENT IN MURDER-FOR-HIRE PLOT

TUCSON – Brent Allen Adams, 40, of Florence, Arizona, was sentenced here to 97 months in prison, with 3 years of supervised release to follow, by U.S. District Judge John M. Roll. Adams had pleaded guilty on February 1, 2006, to one count of Use of Interstate Commerce Facilities in the Commission of Murder for Hire.

Between March 26 and April 23, 2004, Adams negotiated over the telephone with an undercover Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) Agent for the commission of a murder for hire. Adams who was a self professed "hit man" agreed to commit the murder in exchange for \$5,000 and one-half pound of methamphetamine. On April 23, 2004, Adams traveled to Tucson where he was provided with the cash and methamphetamine, but was arrested shortly thereafter. Adams has an extensive criminal record, including multiple assault charges going back to 1989.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). The prosecution was handled by Beverly K. Anderson, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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